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<p align="center">Division of Forensic Science</p> <p align="center">IMPRESSION UNIT TRAINING MANUAL</p>	<p>Amendment Designator:</p>
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<p align="center">XIV LEGAL ASPECTS OF IMPRESSION IDENTIFICATION</p> <p>14.1 PURPOSE</p> <p>14.1.1 To acquaint the student with the reasons why demonstrative exhibits are often beneficial during expert testimony to footwear and tire track impression identifications, and to acquaint the student with a variety of methods for preparing such visual aids.</p> <p>14.1.2 To acquaint the student with the legal aspects of forensic identification as it pertains to impressions. Further, to familiarize the student with significant court cases involving impression identifications.</p> <p>14.2 OBJECTIVES</p> <p>14.2.1 The student will attain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A familiarization with the nature of proof, and the reasons for the lack of specific requirements for the number of matching characteristics necessary to effect an identification. • Familiarization with precedent setting legal cases involving impression identification. • The ability to construct a court chart demonstrating an impression identification; and a familiarization with both traditional and untraditional methods of demonstrating such a chart. • Familiarization with proper courtroom demeanor, method of delivery of presentation while demonstrating court charts, and demeanor during stress provoking situations on the witness stand. <p>14.3 GOAL</p> <p>14.3.1 Upon completion of this training segment the student will possess knowledge and understanding enabling him to effectively present expert testimony about impression examinations.</p> <p>14.4 DISCUSSION</p> <p>14.4.1 Subject matter in this segment addresses three major areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The general parts of effective impression testimony which are legally and logically required. 2. The technical and theoretical pitfalls which beset Impression Examiners attacked by well coached attorneys. 3. The basic human aspects of presenting testimony in a manner that sounds believable and knowledgeable. <p>14.5 EXAMINATION</p> <p>14.5.1 Successful completion of this segment of training will be determined by acceptable performance in a mock court situation as evaluated by the Supervisor of the Latent Print Section/Impression Unit, with recommendations and critique from a panel appointed by same.</p> <p>14.6 REFERENCES FOR TOPIC XIV</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Footwear Evidence</u>, Abbott, 1956 	

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